



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 393

February Session, 2014

Substitute Senate Bill No. 477

Senate, April 7, 2014

The Committee on Education reported through SEN. STILLMAN of the 20th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPUNGEMENT OF A PUPIL'S
CUMULATIVE EDUCATION RECORD FOR CERTAIN EXPULSIONS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (f) of section 10-233d of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2014*):

4 (f) (1) Whenever a pupil is expelled pursuant to the provisions of
5 this section, notice of the expulsion and the conduct for which the
6 pupil was expelled shall be included on the pupil's cumulative
7 educational record. Such notice [, except for notice of an expulsion
8 based on possession of a firearm or deadly weapon as described in
9 subsection (a) of this section,] (A) may be expunged from the
10 cumulative educational record by the local or regional board of
11 education if such board determines that the conduct and behavior of
12 such pupil in the years following such expulsion warrants an
13 expungement, or (B) shall be expunged from the cumulative
14 educational record by the local or regional board of education if a

15 pupil graduates from high school, except as provided for in
16 [subdivision (2)] subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection.

17 (2) In the case of a pupil for which the length of the expulsion
18 period is shortened or the expulsion period is waived pursuant to
19 subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section, such notice shall be
20 expunged from the cumulative educational record by the local or
21 regional board of education (A) if the pupil graduates from high
22 school, or (B) if the board so chooses, at the time the pupil completes
23 the board-specified program and meets any other conditions required
24 by the board pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this
25 section, whichever is earlier.

26 (3) In the case of a pupil who has been expelled based on possession
27 of a firearm or deadly weapon, as described in subsection (a) of this
28 section, in grades kindergarten to eight, inclusive, the local or regional
29 board of education may expunge from the pupil's cumulative
30 educational record the notice of the expulsion and the conduct for
31 which the pupil was expelled if such board determines that the
32 conduct and behavior of such pupil in the years following such
33 expulsion warrants an expungement.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2014	10-233d(f)
-----------	--------------	------------

ED *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill, which allows local or regional boards of education to erase an expulsion from a student's cumulative educational record if the student's conduct and behavior in later years merits erasure, does not result in a fiscal impact as it is procedural in nature.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 477****AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPUNGEMENT OF A PUPIL'S CUMULATIVE EDUCATION RECORD FOR CERTAIN EXPULSIONS.****SUMMARY:**

This bill allows local or regional boards of education to erase any expulsion from a student's cumulative educational record, including an expulsion for firearm or deadly weapon possession, if the student's conduct and behavior in later years merits erasure. The bill does not (1) specify how many years of good conduct merit erasure or (2) define conduct and behavior that merits erasure, leaving those to the board's discretion.

It also requires boards to erase a student's firearm or deadly weapon expulsion record upon high school graduation. Under current law, erasure upon graduation is not permitted for such expulsions, but it is permitted prior to graduation for students who have (1) never previously been expelled or suspended and (2) completed a board-specified program or met board conditions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2014

COMMITTEE ACTION

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 33 Nay 0 (03/19/2014)